## **CLAIMS**

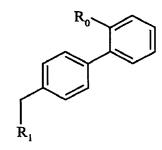
1. A compound of general formula (I) or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or stereoisomer thereof:

 $R-(Y-ONO_2)_s \qquad (I)$ 

wherein:

s is an integer equal to 1 or 2;

R is selected from the following Angiotensin II Receptor Blocker residues of formula (II) or (III):



(II)

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wherein:

R<sub>0</sub> is



15 or  $-N_0$  which is a group capable to bind to Y, having one of the following meaning:

-COO-, -O-, -CONH-, -OCO-, -OCOO- or

wherein R' and R'' are the same or different, and are H or 20 straight or branched  $C_1-C_4$  alkyl;

 $R_1$  is selected from the group consisting of:

$$H_3C$$
 $N_0$ 
 $N_0$ 

wherein m is an integer equal to 0 or 1 and  $N_0$  is as above defined;

$$H_3C$$
 $N_1$ 
 $N_1$ 
 $N_1$ 
 $N_2$ 
 $N_3$ 
 $N_1$ 
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 $N_4$ 
 $N_5$ 
 $N_5$ 

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wherein  $N_1$  has the same meaning as  $N_0$  or is equal to -COOH; with the proviso that at least one of the groups  $N_1$  is equal to -COO- or -CONH-, i.e. it is a group capable to bind to Y;

- 5 Y is a bivalent radical having the following meaning:
  a)
  - straight or branched  $C_1\text{-}C_{20}$  alkylene, preferably  $C_1\text{-}C_{10}$ , being optionally substituted with one or more of the substituents selected from the group consisting of: halogen
- 10 atoms, hydroxy,  $-ONO_2$  or  $T_0$ , wherein  $T_0$  is
  - $-OC(O)(C_1-C_{10} \text{ alkyl})-ONO_2 \text{ or } -O(C_1-C_{10} \text{ alkyl})-ONO_2;$
  - cycloalkylene with 5 to 7 carbon atoms into cycloalkylene ring, the ring being optionally substituted with side chains T, wherein T is straight or branched alkyl with from 1 to 10 carbon atoms, preferably CH<sub>3</sub>;

b)

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c)

$$-(CH_2)_n$$
 $COOH$ 

20 wherein n is an integer from 0 to 20, and  $n^1$  is an integer from 1 to 20;

d)

$$X_1 - (CH_2)_{n^2}$$

wherein:

25  $n^1$  is as defined above and  $n^2$  is an integer from 0 to 2;  $X_1 = -0CO-$  or -COO- and  $R^2$  is H or  $CH_3$ ; e) WO 2005/011646

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$$Y^1 - X_1 - (CH_2)_{n^2}$$

wherein:

 $n^1$ ,  $n^2$ ,  $R^2$  and  $X_1$  are as defined above;  $Y^1$  is  $-CH_2-CH_2-$  or  $-CH=CH-(CH_2)_n^2-$ ;

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$$\mathbb{R}^2$$
  $\mathbb{R}^2$   $\mathbb{C}^2$   $\mathbb$ 

wherein:

 $n^1$  and  $R^2$  are as defined above,  $R^3$  is H or -COCH<sub>3</sub>; with the proviso that when Y is selected from the bivalent radicals mentioned under b)-f), the -ONO2 group is linked 10 to a  $-(CH_2)_n^1$  group;

g)

wherein  $X_2$  is -O- or -S-,  $n^3$  is an integer from 1 to 6, 15 preferably from 1 to 4, R<sup>2</sup> is as defined above;

h)

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
R^4 & R^5 \\
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 [C]_{n^4} Y^2 - [C]_{n^5} \\
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 R^6 & R^7
\end{array}$$

wherein:

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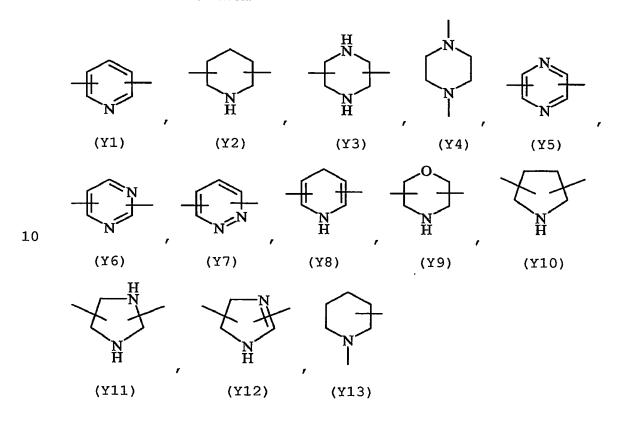
n4 is an integer from 0 to 10;

n<sup>5</sup> is an integer from 1 to 10;  $R^4$ ,  $R^5$ ,  $R^6$ ,  $R^7$  are the same or different, and are H or straight or branched C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> alkyl, preferably R<sup>4</sup>, R<sup>5</sup>, R<sup>6</sup>, R<sup>7</sup> are H;

wherein the -ONO2 group is linked to

wherein n<sup>5</sup> is as defined above;

Y<sup>2</sup> is an heterocyclic saturated, unsaturated or aromatic 5 or 6 members ring, containing one or more heteroatoms selected from nitrogen, oxygen, sulfur, and is selected from



- 2. A compound of general formula (I) or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or stereoisomer thereof according to claim 1 wherein Y is a bivalent radical having the following meaning:
- a) straight or branched  $C_1$ - $C_{10}$  alkylene, being optionally substituted with  $T_0$ , wherein  $T_0$  is as above defined; b)

$$-(CH_2)_n$$

wherein n is an integer equal to 0 or 1, and  $n^1$  is an integer equal to 1; with the proviso the  $-ONO_2$  group is linked to a  $-(CH_2)_n^1$  group;

5 g)

$$---(CH-CH_2-X_2)_{\stackrel{3}{\text{n}^3}}$$
  $CH-CH_2$ 

wherein  $X_2$  is -O- or -S-,  $n^3$  is an integer equal to 1 and  $R^2$  is H.

10 3. A compound according to claims 1-2, selected from the group consisting of:

(5)

CI ONO<sub>2</sub> 0 (9) CI ONO<sub>2</sub> (10) CI 0

(11)

H<sub>3</sub>C O N NH NH N N N

H<sub>3</sub>C ONO<sub>2</sub>

N ONO<sub>2</sub>

(13)

H<sub>3</sub>C O N N NH N N

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(14)

H<sub>3</sub>C CH<sub>3</sub> ONO<sub>2</sub>

H<sub>3</sub>C CH<sub>3</sub> ONO<sub>2</sub>

(18)

H<sub>3</sub>C CH<sub>3</sub> ONO<sub>2</sub>

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ONO<sub>2</sub>

O O CH<sub>3</sub>

O CH<sub>3</sub>

N NH

N NH

(37)

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(38)

CH<sub>3</sub> ONO2 (39) ONO<sub>2</sub> (40)

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(41)

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ONO<sub>2</sub> ONO<sub>2</sub> (54) H<sub>3</sub>C ONO<sub>2</sub> (55) H<sub>3</sub>C (56)

(58)

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(66)

5 (68)

(71)

H<sub>3</sub>C OH ONO<sub>2</sub>

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(72)

H<sub>3</sub>C OH ONO<sub>2</sub>

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(78)

- 4. A compound of general formula (I) according to claims 1-3 for use as a medicament.
- 5. Use of a compound according to claims 1-3 for preparing10 a drug having anti-inflammatory, antithrombotic and antiplatelet activity.
- 6. Use of a compound according to claims 1-3, for preparing a drug that can be employed in the treatment or prophylaxis of cardiovascular, renal and chronic liver diseases, inflammatory processes and metabolic syndromes.

7. Use of a compound according to claim 6, for preparing a drug that can be employed in the treatment or prophylaxis of heart failure, myocardial infarction, ischemic stroke, atherosclerosis, ocular and pulmonary hypertension, hypertension, diabetic nephropathy, peripheral vascular diseases, left ventricular dysfunction and hypertrophy, liver fibrosis and portal hypertension.

- 10 8. A pharmaceutical composition comprising a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier and a pharmaceutically effective amount of a compound of general formula (I) or a salt or stereoisomer thereof according to claims 1-3.
- 9. A pharmaceutical composition according to claim 8 in a suitable form for the oral, parenteral, rectal, topic and transdermic administration, by inhalation spray or aerosol or iontophoresis devices.
- 20 10. Liquid or solid pharmaceutical composition for oral, parenteral, rectal, topic and transdermic administration or inhalation in the form of tablets, capsules and pills eventually with enteric coating, powders, granules, gels, emulsions, solutions, suspensions, syrups, elixir,
- 25 injectable forms, suppositories, in transdermal patches or liposomes, containing a compound of formula (I) or a salt or stereoisomer thereof according to claims 1-3 and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.
- 30 11. A pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound of general formula (I), at least a compound used to treat cardiovascular disease and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

12. Pharmaceutical composition according to claim 11 wherein the compound used to treat cardiovascular disease is selected from the group consisting of: ACE inhibitors, HMGCoA reductase inhibitors, beta-adrenergic blockers, calcium channel blockers, diuretics, antithrombotics such as aspirin, nitrosated ACE inhibitors, nitrosated HMGCoA reductase inhibitors, nitrosated beta-adrenergic blockers, nitrosated aspirin and nitrosated diuretics.

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- 13. A pharmaceutical kit comprising a compound of general formula (I) as defined in claim 1, a compound used to treat cardiovascular disease as combined preparation for simultaneous, separated, sequential use for the treatment of cardiovascular disease.
- 14. A pharmaceutical kit according to claim 13 wherein the compound used to treat cardiovascular disease is selected from the group consisting of: ACE inhibitors, HMGCoA reductase inhibitors, beta-adrenergic blockers, calcium channel blockers, diuretics, antithrombotics such as aspirin, nitrosated ACE inhibitors, nitrosated HMGCoA reductase inhibitors, nitrosated beta-adrenergic blockers, nitrosated aspirin and nitrosated diuretics.